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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 2 - 37

Please add claims 38 - 93 as follows:

--38. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the modulating effect is reversible upon cessation of administration of the modulator.

39. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the modulator is administered to the cells *in vitro* or *in vivo*.

40. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the modulator comprises a modulator of  $\text{Na}^+/\text{H}^+$  exchange or of  $\text{Cl}^-/\text{HCO}_3^-$  exchange.

41. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the modulator is selected from the group consisting of beta blockers, amilorides and cariporide.